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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A support device for a machine-roomless elevator system, comprising:

 a machine supporting portion that secures a machine comprising a motor in a selected position in a hoistway;

 a termination supporting portion that secures a plurality of termination members in a selected position, the termination members being configured to secure an end of associated load bearing members near the selected position; and

 a sheave supporting portion that supports at least one sheave, the supporting portions being secured together to form a single structure that supports the machine, the termination members and the sheave, the single structure being located inside the hoistway, the supporting portions each comprise a plurality of metal sheets secured together.

2. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1, including a second termination supporting portion that secures a second plurality of termination members in a selected position and wherein one of the pluralities of termination members are associated with an elevator cab and the other plurality of termination members are associated with a counterweight.

3. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1, including a second sheave supporting portion that supports a second sheave.

4-5. (Cancelled)

6. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the machine supporting portion and the sheave supporting portion comprise two lateral beam members.

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7. (Currently Amended) A support device for a machine-roomless elevator system, comprising:

a machine supporting portion that secures a machine comprising a motor in a selected position in a hoistway;

a termination supporting portion that secures a plurality of termination members in a selected position; and

a sheave supporting portion that supports at least one sheave, the supporting portions being secured together to form a single structure that supports the machine, the termination members and the sheave, the single structure being located inside the hoistway, the machine supporting portion and the sheave supporting portion comprise two lateral beam members spaced from each other and the termination supporting portion comprises at least one transverse member extending between and secured to the lateral beam members.

8. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1, including two spaced lateral beam members, at least one transverse beam member extending between and secured to the lateral beam members near each end of the beam members, and a mounting member near each end of each of the lateral beam members, the mounting members adapted to secure the device to a structure that carries a load of the device and associated elevator system components.

9. (Original) The device of claim 8, including a plurality of vertical brace members secured to each of the mounting members and corresponding portions of the lateral beam members.

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10. (Currently Amended) A ~~The machine-roomless elevator system, comprising:~~
~~a machine having a motor and a drive sheave inside a hoistway;~~
~~at least one idler sheave in the hoistway;~~
~~an elevator cab supported for movement in the hoistway;~~
~~a counterweight supported for movement in the hoistway;~~
~~a plurality of elongated load bearing members associated with the cab and the~~
~~counterweight, the load bearing members being moveable about the drive sheave and the idler~~
~~sheave in response to operation of the machine;~~
~~a plurality of terminations associated with ends of the load bearing members; and~~
~~a single support device in the hoistway that supports and secures the machine,~~
~~sheave and terminations in a desired position inside the hoistway relative to the cab and~~
~~counterweight, of claim 16, wherein the support device includes~~
~~two lateral beam members that provide support for the machine and the idler sheave, the~~
~~lateral beam members are spaced from each other and including~~
~~at least one transverse member extending between and secured to the lateral beam~~
~~members for supporting the terminations.~~

11-12. (Cancelled)

13. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 10, including a second transverse member extending between and secured to the lateral beam members for supporting a second plurality of termination members and wherein the transverse members are secured to the beam members near longitudinal ends of the beam members, respectively.

14. (Currently Amended) The system of ~~claim 10~~claim 16, wherein the support device comprises a plurality of metal beam members.

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15. (Currently Amended) The system of ~~claim 10~~claim 16, wherein the idler sheave and the drive sheave are positioned relative to each other so that the elongated load bearing members extend vertically, deflect about the idler sheave in a generally horizontal direction and then are wrapped at least 180° around the drive sheave.

16. (Currently Amended) A machine-roomless elevator system, comprising:

- a machine having a motor and a drive sheave inside a hoistway;
- at least one idler sheave in the hoistway;
- an elevator cab supported for movement in the hoistway;
- a counterweight supported for movement in the hoistway;
- a plurality of elongated load bearing members associated with the cab and the counterweight, the load bearing members being moveable about the drive sheave and the idler sheave in response to operation of the machine;
- a plurality of terminations associated with ends of the load bearing members; and
- a single support device in the hoistway that supports and secures the machine, idler sheave and terminations in a desired position inside the hoistway relative to the cab and counterweight;

the idler sheave and the drive sheave are positioned relative to each other so that the elongated load bearing members extend vertically, deflect about the idler sheave in a generally horizontal direction and then are wrapped at least 180° around the drive sheave, the idler sheave and drive sheave rotate about parallel axes.

17-21. (Cancelled)

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22. (Currently Amended) A support device for an elevator system, comprising:
a machine supporting portion that secures a machine comprising a motor and a
drive sheave in a selected position;
a termination supporting portion that secures a plurality of termination members
in a selected position; and
a sheave supporting portion that supports at least one sheave, the supporting
portions each comprising a plurality of metal sheets secured together, the supporting portions
being secured together to form a single structure that supports the machine, the termination
members and the sheave.

23-25. (Cancelled)